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By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 14.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Rensburg dated yesterday says:

"There has been hard fighting for two days near Colesberg, the Boers making strenuous efforts to outflank the British left. The enemy occupy strong positions from Achtrang through Potfontein to a point five miles south of Jansfontein."

"The fighting at the outpost camps has been very severe during the last few days. Yesterday the Boers attacked the position of the Worcester's to the south-east of Colesberg. Fighting continued all day, and after dark it was considered necessary to withdraw to Rensburg. Our losses are not yet known."

"On the left the Australians, Wiltshires and Berksians have been holding their position against long odds. The Boer losses were considerable. "Owing to the growing difficulty experienced by convoys in reaching the camps all of the latter were vacated last night and the troops withdrawn to Rensburg."

"The Boers are burning the farms of the loyalists, but the latter have contrived to get away their stock."

MUST BE CRUISED SINGLY.

Mr. Spencer Wilkinson in the Morning Post, discussing the news from Rensburg says: "This intelligence is the natural price paid for a blow elsewhere. The concentration of the Boer force is the only accompaniment by a weakening of the force at Colesberg and of this the Boers have taken advantage to assault the position of the Worcester's. The Boers have had about withdrawn their forces from Magerfontein to reinforce their position at Colesberg. The Boers would threaten British communications between Capetown and Modder River. Our naval guns shelled Magerfontein today, but the Boers were not deterred. It is supposed that the enemy have withdrawn their artillery. They are blowing up the permanent way beyond Merton Sliding. The Boers still man their trenches, but their numbers appear to be decreasing. The bulk of their force has gone to Kimberley or towards our flank."

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Rensburg, Feb. 13.—An Australian newspaper correspondent, Mr. Beaz, paid an interesting visit to the Boer camps Sunday to make inquiries as to the fate of his missing brother-in-law. He was taken to the London Daily News, who was captured by the Boers February 7, at the time Mr. Lambie, of the Melbourne Age, was killed. Mr. Beaz arrived at the camp blindfolded just as church service was commencing. He sat blindfolded throughout the service, when he was taken before Commandant Delarey and although absent from their native land are wrapped up heart and soul in its progress. He was taken to the Boer camp and his name was written in the Boer Empire linked in one common bond of sympathy and abhorrence to the Boers with English troops fighting for the freedom of the oppressed, wild Englishmen, Scotsmen and Irishmen not unlike the men who are fighting for the Cape. The Boers are not so much as they are, but they are still maintaining a hospital ship for our wounded soldiers. Their munificence is deeply appreciated in our country. It is not to Americans that we now appeal, it is to those who cannot for a moment forget their liberality that they are mindful of the sufferings of those who fall bravely in our behalf, and identify themselves with the Boers. (Signed) Beatrice Chesman, Georgiana Curzon."

BRITISH TROOPS CELEBRATING.

Yesterday's retirement of the western outposts included the withdrawal from Colesberg and all the surrounding posts. The Boers placed a forty pounder at Bastard's Nek, commanding the sunken road leading to the Boer position. The Boers numbered some thousands and were five to one everywhere. These were sent to the British. The British are chafing under the necessity of relief for their posts, some of which they had held since the New Year. The British have apparently about to push an army into the Free State, the Boers make a counter-stroke in unknown but seemingly great force not far from the vital line of railway connecting De Aar and Orange River.

ROBERTS' LINES MENACED.

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BULLER'S INTENTIONS.

Indications as to Gen. Buller's intentions are contradictory. One informant who has intimate relations with the war office predicts a movement within the next two days. A number of correspondents who have been with Gen. Buller, however, have gone to Durban for a few days' rest, under the impression that nothing is to be done immediately. The war office has directed the Eighth division of 10,000 men to prepare to go out. The fact that Gen. Buller's despatch revising the casualties to the British troops at Potgieter's Drift is dated from Chieveley is taken in some quarters as an indication that Gen. Buller has removed his headquarters to that place. There is nothing to indicate whether or not he has left any large force at Springfield. DR. LEYDS' PLOTTINGS. London, Feb. 13.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph explains the contemplated visit of Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal representative, has been postponed because the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and his family are the guests of the Czar, but he says that it is certain that his visit to St. Petersburg will be made at an early date. GERMANY AND TRANSVAAL. No Recent Communication as to the Policy of the Kaiser's Government. London, Feb. 13.—The under-secretary of state for the foreign office, Mr. Broderick, was asked to-day whether the government had received any communication from Germany modifying the declaration made in 1895 by the then minister of foreign affairs, Baron von Bismarck, to the effect that Germany's independent status in accordance with the treaty of 1864. He replied that no communication had been received from the German government relative to the convention of 1864, which, he added, as a matter of fact, was terminated by the state of war.

Roberts For Kimberley.

Commander in Chief Personally Directing Operations at Modder River.

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Boer Assault Strengthened in Hope of Collapse of Weakened Garrison.

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Modder River, Feb. 10.—Lord Roberts is here. Upon appearing before the troops on Friday he was enthusiastically cheered. He visited the camp of the Highland Brigade this morning and complimented Gen. Macdonald and his men on their steady conduct at Koodoosberg Drift.

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BESIEGERS INCREASE.

London, Feb. 11.—(Midnight)—"Kimberley reports that the Boer fighting force was apparently increased on Wednesday, February 7. Next day the Boers commenced the construction of trenches to the east, nearly parallel to the glacis and 4,000 yards from the Premier's mine. The Boers have been firing their guns from Mafeking for Kimberley, carrying with them six inch guns and a quick firing field gun. The former opened fire on Kimberley. Otherwise the situation is unchanged. "Another report says that the Boers have brought all their big guns from Mafeking to shell Kimberley. Our naval guns shelled Magerfontein today, but the Boers were not deterred. It is supposed that the enemy have withdrawn their artillery. They are blowing up the permanent way beyond Merton Sliding. The Boers still man their trenches, but their numbers appear to be decreasing. The bulk of their force has gone to Kimberley or towards our flank."

LADYSMITH A MISTAKE.

Buller Averse to Pressing Campaign in That Direction, but Circumstances Compelled. London, Feb. 12.—Mr. Winston Churchill sends from Frere camp to the Morning Post a review of the situation. He says: "Gen. Buller always thought it impossible to hold the triangle of Natal unless the Tugela river was held. The mistake was made owing to the miscalculation of the Boer strength, and the fact that the Boer force was not completely collected at Ladysmith. From the first he regarded the relief of Ladysmith as a forlorn hope. He did not feel justified in ordering a subordinate to perform such a task. The absence of good maps has cost much blood. An attempt to thrust the enemy from Brakfontein, or Doorn Kloof would have cost 3,000 men; and since Ladysmith must be held, the door behind us, too few would have remained to force the way to Ladysmith. Moreover, Gen. Buller remembers that his army is the only one in the field of the rest of Natal. Therefore, he decided to try elsewhere. "Another force attempt will be made to force the Tugela. Great Britain must recognize the ugly fact, that the relief of Ladysmith would strain an army of 50,000, and that 100,000 men would not be too many. The country, therefore, must be prepared for a heavy loss and perhaps a complete disaster. (Signed) Beatrice Chesman, Georgiana Curzon."

A PRISONER'S SORRY LOT.

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Believes Buller's Movements Cover a More Important Attack Elsewhere. Brussels, Feb. 11.—The Petit Bleu publishes the report of an interview with Dr. Leyds, in the course of which the representative of the South African Republics denies his recent visit to Berlin had reference to a loan for the Transvaal which is not in pressing need of money. Regarding Gen. Buller, Dr. Leyds says: "he believed the movement had been a diversion intended to cover a greater effort by Lord Roberts directed against the Free State, the invasion of which would be disrupted foot by foot. The Boers he declared, were ready for the invasion and had a complete plan formulated. The well known strengthening properties of Iron, combined with other tonics, and a most perfect purifier of the blood, is given by Little's Liver Pills, which strengthen the liver and body, and improve the blood and complexion."

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Toronto, Feb. 14.—The Massey-Harris Company has subscribed \$5,000 to the National Patriotic Fund through the Globe, which has now brought the total to \$36,680. All over the province now comes in contributions to the fund. The fund is for the relief of the Boers, and is being held in behalf of the fund, and lodges of various societies are subscribing, besides individual donations. Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, which will give relief for nervousness, dyspepsia, and other ailments. Price 25 cents.

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Short of Food, Money and Shelter for the Fighting Men Still so Desperately Resisting. London, Jan. 30.—Writing from Frere on January 4, the Times correspondent says: "Despite their activity, the condition of the Boers does not seem to be very prosperous. The week after the battle of Kaffers' Kraal, the Boers, who had been working for the Boers' deserted and came over to us, many of them being in a starving condition. They complained of getting neither food nor money and above all of the loud lamentations of the Boer women in camp for their husbands and relations who had been killed in the battle. All Kaffers has a superstitious horror of illness or mourning in any form. He said the Boes loss had been heavy, all entirely owing to the effect of dysentery in the trenches. The power of these shells, they said, was terrific. Several of them stated that they had been knocked down by the force of an explosion 200 yards away. "The following week some Kaffers came in, telling the same story. On January 8, 12 Boer deserters came in. They, too, complained of lack of food and ill-health and said that the Boers were short of both food and forage. All this points to the fact that the long waiting in the trenches, the power of these shells, they said, was terrific. Several of them stated that they had been knocked down by the force of an explosion 200 yards away."

COLONIAL REPRESENTATION.

To Be Discussed in Imperial Parliament as Soon as Opportunity Offers. London, Feb. 13.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Thomas Hedderville, advanced Liberal, gave notice of a resolution

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ing that district another member, al-... though the motives of the late govern-... ment were impugned by the then oppo-... sition. Then I gave no support to... Vancouver, a new one to Rossland, and... a member to the Skeena. They could not... secure the late government of being ac-... cepted, the whole of those members were... given to the Mainland, and in three... cases the new constituencies returned... the most disgraced of the present... government and opposed the late ad-... ministration that created them.

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bill of 1898 was neither fair nor satis-... factory. The third member for Vancou-... ver would corroborate him when he said... that last year he had advocated that such... a measure should be brought in; he had... been in favor of such a measure ever since... the measure would be brought in at the... earliest possible date, perhaps... this house, the opposition would like... There was no truth in the assertion that... the hand of the government in this mat-... ter had been forced. It had been quite... unnecessary for the government to do... more than vote down the resolution... knowing that the leader of the opposi-... tion for South Victoria, the mem-... ber for East Kootenay, and several oth-... ers would, to be consistent, have been... obliged to force the bill, the list of... those there had forced nothing... Mr. Eberts'—The newspapers were the... force, you could not get away from... them.

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The Routes To Omineca
Mine Owners Favor the One via Hazelton in All Seasons.
Party Leaving by the Willapa This Evening to go Over Snow.

BECHAM'S PILLS
FOR RHEUMATISM AND NEURALGIC AFFECTIONS
Weak Stomach Impaired Digestion Disordered Liver
Beecham's Pills are Without a Rival

ORANGE GRAND LODGE
Preliminary Meeting Held in A.O.U.W. Hall Last Evening—The Delegates.

LOCAL NEWS
A Hearing To-morrow—Much interest attaches to the defamatory libel suit in-vestigated by the government against Sheldon Williams.

SCOUTS CAPTURED.
Renburg, Feb. 11.—Out of a patrol from the Hazelton, under Captain Ham-ilton, composed of eight Tasmanians and eight of Gen. French's scouts, only two Tasmanians and three scouts remain; the others were captured by the Boers.

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